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Subject: NPDES Permit No. TN0000442

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Dear Mr. Swanner:

In accordance with the provisions of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act, Tennessee Code Annotated (T.C.A.), Sections 69-3-101 through 69-3-120, the Division of Water Resources hereby issues the enclosed NPDES Permit. The continuance and/or reissuance of this NPDES Permit is contingent upon your meeting the conditions and requirements as stated therein.

Please be advised that a petition for permit appeal may be filed, pursuant to T.C.A. Section 69-3-105, subsection (i), by the permit applicant or by any aggrieved person who participated in the public comment period or gave testimony at a formal public hearing whose appeal is based upon any of the issues that were provided to the commissioner in writing during the public comment period or in testimony at a formal public hearing on the permit application. Additionally, for those permits for which the department gives public notice of a draft permit, any permit applicant or aggrieved person may base a permit appeal on any material change to conditions in the final permit from those in the draft, unless the material change has been subject to additional opportunity for public comment. Any petition for permit appeal under this subsection (i) shall be filed with the technical secretary of the Water Resources Board within thirty (30) days after public notice of the commissioner's decision to issue or deny the permit. A copy of the filing should also be sent to TDEC's Office of General Counsel.

If you have questions, please contact the Memphis Environmental Field Office at 1-888-891-TDEC; or, at this office, please contact Miss Julie Harse at (615) 532-0682 or by E-mail at *Julie.Harse@tn.gov*.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: Water-based Systems File

Memphis Environmental Field Office

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#### No. TN0000442

Authorization to discharge under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

Issued By

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
Division of Water Resources
401 Church Street
6th Floor, L & C Annex
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1534

Under authority of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977 (T.C.A. 69-3-101 <u>et seq.</u>) and the delegation of authority from the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended by the Clean Water Act of 1977 (33 U.S.C. 1251, <u>et seq.</u>)

Discharger: AOC L.L.C. - TN Plant

is authorized to discharge: treated sanitary wastewater (via Internal Monitoring Point 006),

steam condensate, non-contact cooling water and storm water

runoff from Outfall 001

from a facility located: in Collierville, Fayette County, Tennessee

to receiving waters named: unnamed tributary at mile 2.2 to Wolf River at mile 33.3

in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth herein.

This permit shall become effective on: August 1, 2013

This permit shall expire on: June 30, 2018

Issuance date: July 1, 2013

for Sandra K. Dudley, Ph.D., P.E.

Director

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# PART I

#### A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

AOC L.L.C. - TN Plant is authorized to discharge treated sanitary wastewater (via Internal Monitoring Point 006), steam condensate, non-contact cooling water and storm water runoff from Outfall 001 to unnamed tributary at mile 2.2 to Wolf River at mile 33.3.

These discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

Description: External Outfall, Number: 006, Monitoring: Effluent Gross, Season: All Year

| <u>Parameter</u>                  | Qualifier | <u>Value</u> | <u>Unit</u> | Sample Type   | <u>Frequency</u>     | Statistical Base   |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| BOD, 5-day, 20 C                  | <=        | 20           | mg/L        | Grab          | Twice Every<br>Month | Monthly<br>Average |
| BOD, 5-day, 20 C                  | <=        | 30           | mg/L        | Grab          | Twice Every<br>Month | Daily Maximum      |
| Chlorine, total residual (TRC)*** | <=        | 2            | mg/L        | Grab          | Two Per Week         | Daily Maximum      |
| E. coli, MTEC-MF**                | <=        | 941          | CFU/100mL   | Grab          | Twice Every<br>Month | Maximum            |
| E. coli, MTEC-MF**                | <=        | 126          | CFU/100mL   | Grab          | Twice Every<br>Month | Geometric<br>Mean  |
| Flow*                             | Report    | -            | Mgal/d      | Instantaneous | Two Per Week         | Monthly<br>Average |
| Flow*                             | Report    | -            | Mgal/d      | Instantaneous | Two Per Week         | Daily Maximum      |
| Nitrogen, Ammonia total (as N)    | <=        | 5            | mg/L        | Grab          | Twice Every<br>Month | Monthly<br>Average |
| Nitrogen, Ammonia total (as N)    | <=        | 10           | mg/L        | Grab          | Twice Every<br>Month | Daily Maximum      |
| Oxygen, dissolved (DO)            | >=        | 3            | mg/L        | Grab          | Two Per Week         | Minimum            |
| Settleable Solids                 | <=        | .5           | mL/L        | Grab          | Two Per Week         | Daily Maximum      |
| Total Suspended<br>Solids (TSS)   | <=        | 30           | mg/L        | Grab          | Twice Every<br>Month | Monthly<br>Average |
| Total Suspended<br>Solids (TSS)   | <=        | 45           | mg/L        | Grab          | Twice Every<br>Month | Daily Maximum      |
| pH***                             | >=        | 6            | SU          | Grab          | Two Per Week         | Minimum            |
| pH***                             | <=        | 9            | SU          | Grab          | Two Per Week         | Maximum            |

<sup>\*</sup> Flow shall be reported in Million Gallons per Day (MGD).

<sup>\*\*</sup> The wastewater discharge must be disinfected to the extent that viable coliform organisms are effectively eliminated. The E. coli monitoring requirement for this permit shall require the permittee to report the geometric mean and maximum values.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> pH and TRC analyses shall be performed within fifteen (15) minutes of sample collection.

Description: External Outfall, Number: 001, Monitoring: Effluent Gross, Season: All Year

| <u>Parameter</u>             | Qualifier | Value | <u>Unit</u> | Sample Type   | Frequency    | Statistical Base   |
|------------------------------|-----------|-------|-------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|
| BOD, 5-day, 20 C             | <=        | 30    | mg/L        | Grab          | Monthly      | Daily Maximum      |
| BOD, 5-day, 20 C             | <=        | 20    | mg/L        | Grab          | Monthly      | Monthly<br>Average |
| Flow                         | Report    | -     | Mgal/d      | Instantaneous | Continuous   | Daily Maximum      |
| Flow                         | Report    | -     | Mgal/d      | Instantaneous | Continuous   | Monthly<br>Average |
| Total Suspended Solids (TSS) | <=        | 45    | mg/L        | Grab          | Weekly       | Daily Maximum      |
| Total Suspended Solids (TSS) | <=        | 30    | mg/L        | Grab          | Weekly       | Monthly<br>Average |
| рН                           | >=        | 6     | SU          | Grab          | Two Per Week | Minimum            |
| pН                           | <=        | 9     | SU          | Grab          | Two Per Week | Maximum            |

Description: External Outfall, Number: 001, Monitoring: Effluent Gross, Season: Summer

| <u>Parameter</u>               | Qualifie | <u>rValue</u> | <u>Unit</u> | Sample Type | <u>Frequency</u>     | Statistical Base   |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Nitrogen, Ammonia total (as N) | <=       | 2             | mg/L        | Grab        | Twice Every<br>Month | Daily Maximum      |
| Nitrogen, Ammonia total (as N) | <=       | .9            | mg/L        | Grab        | Twice Every<br>Month | Monthly<br>Average |

Description: External Outfall, Number: 001, Monitoring: Effluent Gross, Season: Winter

| <u>Parameter</u>               | Qualifie | <u>rValue</u> | <u>Unit</u> | Sample Type | <u>Frequency</u>     | Statistical Base |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Nitrogen, Ammonia total (as N) | <=       | 2             | mg/L        | Grab        | Twice Every<br>Month | Daily Maximum    |
| Nitrogen, Ammonia total (as N) | <=       | 1.7           | mg/L        | Grab        | Twice Every<br>Month | Monthly Avera    |

- \* Flow shall be reported in Million Gallons per Day (MGD).
- \*\* pH and TRC analyses shall be performed within fifteen (15) minutes of sample collection.
- \*\*\* Must be monitored at a point below the confluence of Discharges 001 and 006, but prior to entering the unnamed tributary.

Note: Summer period is May 1 through September 30; Winter period is October 1 through April 30.

Additional monitoring requirements and conditions applicable to IMP 006 and Outfall 001 include:

There shall be no distinctly visible floating solids, scum, foam, oily slick, or the formation of slimes, bottom deposits or sludge banks of such size or character that may be detrimental to fish and aquatic life.

The wastewater discharge shall not contain pollutants in quantities that will be hazardous or otherwise detrimental to humans, livestock, wildlife, plant life, or fish and aquatic life in the receiving stream.

Sludge or any other material removed by any treatment works must be disposed of in a manner, which prevents its entrance into or pollution of any surface or subsurface waters. Additionally, the disposal of such sludge or other material must be in compliance with the Tennessee Solid Waste Disposal Act, TCA 68-31-101 et seq. and the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act, TCA 68-46-101 et seq.

#### **B. MONITORING PROCEDURES**

#### 1. Representative Sampling

Samples and measurements taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge, and shall be taken after treatment and prior to mixing with uncontaminated storm water runoff or the receiving stream.

#### 2. Sampling Frequency

If there is a discharge from a permitted outfall on any given day during the monitoring period, the permittee must sample and report the results of analyses accordingly, and the permittee should not mark the 'No Discharge' box on the Discharge Monitoring Report form.

#### 3. Test Procedures

- a. Test procedures for the analysis of pollutants shall conform to regulations published pursuant to Section 304 (h) of the Clean Water Act (the "Act"), as amended, under which such procedures may be required.
- b. Unless otherwise noted in the permit, all pollutant parameters shall be determined according to methods prescribed in Title 40, CFR Part 136, as amended, promulgated pursuant to Section 304 (h) of the Act.

In instances where permit limits established through implementation of applicable water criteria are below analytical capabilities, compliance with those limits will be determined using the detection limits described in the TN Rules, Chapter 1200-4-3-.05(8).

The wastewater discharge must be disinfected to the extent that viable coliform organisms are effectively eliminated. The concentration of the E. coli group after disinfection shall not exceed 126 cfu per 100 ml as the geometric mean calculated on the actual number of samples collected and tested for E. coli within the required reporting period. The permittee may collect more samples than specified as the monitoring frequency. Samples may not be collected at intervals of less than 12 hours. For the purpose of determining the geometric mean, individual samples having an E. coli group concentration of less than one (1) per 100 ml shall be considered as having a concentration of one (1) per 100 ml. In addition, the concentration of the E. coli group in any individual sample shall not exceed a specified maximum amount. A maximum daily limit of 487 colonies per 100 ml applies to lakes and Tier II waters. A maximum daily limit of 941 colonies per 100 ml applies to all other recreational waters.

# 4. Recording of Results

For each measurement or sample taken pursuant to the requirements of this permit, the permittee shall record the following information:

- a. The exact place, date and time of sampling;
- b. The exact person(s) collecting samples;
- c. The dates and times the analyses were performed;
- d. The person(s) or laboratory who performed the analyses;
- e. The analytical techniques or methods used, and;
- f. The results of all required analyses.

#### 5. Records Retention

All records and information resulting from the monitoring activities required by this permit including all records of analyses performed and calibration and maintenance of instrumentation shall be retained for a minimum of three (3) years, or longer, if requested by the Division of Water Resources.

#### C. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this permit, *Annually* is defined as a monitoring frequency of once every twelve (12) months beginning with the date of issuance of this permit so long as the following set of measurements for a given 12 month period are made approximately 12 months subsequent to that time.

A **bypass** is defined as the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.

A *calendar day* is defined as the 24-hour period from midnight to midnight or any other 24-hour period that reasonably approximates the midnight to midnight time period.

**Continuous monitoring**, for the purposes of this permit, is the measurement of flow at a frequency that will accurately characterize the nature of discharges from the site and water in the receiving stream. Samples collected continuously shall be at a frequency of not less than once every fifteen minutes for flow.

The *Daily Maximum Amount*, is a limitation measured in pounds per day (lb/day), on the total amount of any pollutant in the discharge by weight during any calendar day.

The **Daily Maximum Concentration** is a limitation on the average concentration, in milligrams per liter (mg/L), of the discharge during any calendar day. When a proportional-to-flow composite sampling device is used, the daily concentration is the concentration of that 24-hour composite; when other sampling means are used, the daily concentration is the arithmetic

mean of the concentrations of equal volume samples collected during any calendar day or sampling period.

**Degradation** means the alteration of the properties of waters by the addition of pollutants or removal of habitat.

**De Minimis** – Alterations, other than those resulting in the condition of pollution or new domestic wastewater discharges, that represent either a small magnitude or a short duration shall be considered a *de minimis* impact and will not be considered degradation for purposes of implementing the antidegradation policy. Discharges other than domestic wastewater will be considered *de minimis* if they are temporary or use less than five percent of the available assimilative capacity for the substance being discharged. If more than one activity has been authorized in a segment and the total of the impacts uses no more than ten percent of the assimilative capacity, available habitat, or 7Q10 low flow, they are presumed to be *de minimis*. Where total impacts use more than ten percent of the assimilative capacity, available habitat, or 7Q10 low flow they may be treated as *de minimis* provided that the division finds on a scientific basis that the additional degradation has an insignificant effect on the resource and that no single activity is allowed to consume more than five percent of the assimilative capacity, available habitat or 7Q10 low flow.

**Discharge** or "discharge of a pollutant" refers to the addition of pollutants to waters from a source.

**Dry Weather Flow** shall be construed to represent discharges consisting of process and/or non-process wastewater only.

An **ecoregion** is a relatively homogeneous area defined by similarity of climate, landform, soil, potential natural vegetation, hydrology, or other ecologically relevant variables.

The *geometric mean* of any set of values is the n<sup>th</sup> root of the product of the individual values where "n" is equal to the number of individual values. The geometric mean is equivalent to the antilog of the arithmetic mean of the logarithms of the individual values. For the purposes of calculating the geometric mean, values of zero (0) shall be considered to be one (1).

A *Grab Sample*, for the purposes of this permit, is defined as a single effluent sample of at least 100 milliliters (sample volumes <100 milliliters are allowed when specified per standard methods, latest edition) collected at a randomly selected time over a period not exceeding 15 minutes. The sample(s) shall be collected at the period(s) most representative of the total discharge.

The *Instantaneous Concentration* is a limitation on the concentration, in milligrams per liter (mg/L), of any pollutant contained in the discharge determined from a grab sample taken at any point in time.

The *monthly average amount*, shall be determined by the summation of all the measured daily discharges by weight divided by the number of days during the calendar month when the measurements were made.

The *monthly average concentration*, other than for *E. coli* bacteria, is the arithmetic mean of all the composite or grab samples collected in a one-calendar month period.

A **one week period** (or **calendar-week**) is defined as the period from Sunday through Saturday. For reporting purposes, a calendar week that contains a change of month shall be considered part of the latter month.

**Pollutant** means sewage, industrial wastes, or other wastes.

A **Qualifying Storm Event** is one which is greater than 0.1 inches and that occurs after a period of at least 72 hours after any previous storm event with rainfall of 0.1 inches or greater.

For the purpose of this permit, a *Quarter* is defined as any one of the following three month periods: January 1 through March 31, April 1 through June 30, July 1 through September 30, or October 1 through December 31.

A **rainfall event** is defined as any occurrence of rain, preceded by 10 hours without precipitation that results in an accumulation of 0.01 inches or more. Instances of rainfall occurring within 10 hours of each other will be considered a single rainfall event.

A *rationale* (or "fact sheet") is a document that is prepared when drafting an NPDES permit or permit action. It provides the technical, regulatory and administrative basis for an agency's permit decision.

A **reference site** means least impacted waters within an ecoregion that have been monitored to establish a baseline to which alterations of other waters can be compared.

A **reference condition** is a parameter-specific set of data from regional reference sites that establish the statistical range of values for that particular substance at least-impacted streams.

For the purpose of this permit, **Semi-annually** means the same as "once every six months." Measurements of the effluent characteristics concentrations may be made anytime during a 6 month period beginning from the issuance date of this permit so long as the second set of measurements for a given 12 month period are made approximately 6 months subsequent to that time, if feasible.

A *subecoregion* is a smaller, more homogenous area that has been delineated within an ecoregion.

**Upset** means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology-based effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.

The term, **washout** is applicable to activated sludge plants and is defined as loss of mixed liquor suspended solids (MLSS) of 30.00% or more from the aeration basin(s).

**Waters** means any and all water, public or private, on or beneath the surface of the ground, which are contained within, flow through, or border upon Tennessee or any portion thereof except those bodies of water confined to and retained within the limits of private property in single ownership which do not combine or effect a junction with natural surface or underground waters.

The **weekly average amount**, shall be determined by the summation of all the measured daily discharges by weight divided by the number of days during the calendar week when the measurements were made.

The **weekly average concentration**, is the arithmetic mean of all the composite samples collected in a one-week period. The permittee must report the highest weekly average in the one-month period.

**Wet Weather Flow** shall be construed to represent storm water runoff which, in combination with all process and/or non-process wastewater discharges, as applicable, is discharged during a qualifying storm event.

#### D. ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

1Q10 – 1-day minimum, 10-year recurrence interval

30Q20 – 30-day minimum, 20-year recurrence interval

7Q10 – 7-day minimum, 10-year recurrence interval

BAT – best available technology economically achievable

BCT – best conventional pollutant control technology

BDL - below detection level

BOD<sub>5</sub> – five day biochemical oxygen demand

BPT – best practicable control technology currently available

CBOD<sub>5</sub> – five day carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand

CEI – compliance evaluation inspection

CFR – code of federal regulations

CFS - cubic feet per second

CFU – colony forming units

CIU – categorical industrial user

CSO – combined sewer overflow

DMR – discharge monitoring report

D.O. – dissolved oxygen

E. coli – Escherichia coli

EFO - environmental field office

LB(lb) - pound

IC<sub>25</sub> – inhibition concentration causing 25% reduction in survival, reproduction and growth of the test organisms

IU - industrial user

IWS – industrial waste survey

LC<sub>50</sub> – acute test causing 50% lethality

MDL – method detection level

MGD – million gallons per day

MG/L(mg/l) – milligrams per liter

ML – minimum level of quantification

ml – milliliter

MLSS – mixed liquor suspended solids

MOR – monthly operating report

NODI - no discharge

NOEC – no observed effect concentration

NPDES – national pollutant discharge elimination system

PL – permit limit

POTW – publicly owned treatment works

RDL - required detection limit

SAR – semi-annual [pretreatment program] report

SIU – significant industrial user

SSO – sanitary sewer overflow

STP – sewage treatment plant

TCA - Tennessee code annotated

TDEC – Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

TIE/TRE – toxicity identification evaluation/toxicity reduction evaluation

TMDL – total maximum daily load

TRC – total residual chlorine

TSS – total suspended solids

WQBEL – water quality based effluent limit

#### E. REPORTING

#### 1. Monitoring Results

Monitoring results shall be recorded monthly and submitted monthly using Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) forms supplied by the Division of Water Resources. Submittals shall be postmarked no later than 15 days after the completion of the reporting period. A completed DMR with an <u>original signature</u> shall be submitted to the following address:

TENNESSEE DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
ENFORCEMENT & COMPLIANCE SECTION
L & C ANNEX 6TH FLOOR
401 CHURCH STREET
NASHVILLE TN 37243

A copy of the completed and signed DMR shall be mailed to the Memphis Environmental Field Office (EFO) at the following address:

TENNESSEE DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
MEMPHIS ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD OFFICE
8383 WOLF LAKE DRIVE
BARTLETT TN 38133

A copy should be retained for the permittee's files. In addition, any communication regarding compliance with the conditions of this permit must be sent to the two offices listed above.

The first DMR is due on the 15th of the month following permit effectiveness.

DMRs and any other information or report must be signed and certified by a responsible corporate officer as defined in 40 CFR 122.22, a general partner or proprietor, or a principal municipal executive officer or ranking elected official, or his duly authorized representative. Such authorization must be submitted in writing and must explain the duties and responsibilities of the authorized representative.

The electronic submission of DMR data will be accepted only if formally approved beforehand by the division. For purposes of determining compliance with this permit, data approved by the division to be submitted electronically is legally equivalent to data submitted on signed and certified DMR forms.

#### 2. Additional Monitoring by Permittee

If the permittee monitors any pollutant specifically limited by this permit more frequently than required at the location(s) designated, using approved analytical methods as specified herein, the results of such monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the values required in the DMR form. Such increased frequency shall also be indicated on the form.

#### 3. Falsifying Results and/or Reports

Knowingly making any false statement on any report required by this permit or falsifying any result may result in the imposition of criminal penalties as provided for in Section 309 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, and in Section 69-3-115 of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act.

#### 4. Outlier Data

Outlier data include analytical results that are probably false. The validity of results is based on operational knowledge and a properly implemented quality assurance program. False results may include laboratory artifacts, potential sample tampering, broken or suspect sample containers, sample contamination or similar demonstrated quality control flaw.

Outlier data are identified through a properly implemented quality assurance program, and according to ASTM standards (e.g. Grubbs Test, 'h' and 'k' statistics). Furthermore, outliers should be verified, corrected, or removed, based on further inquiries into the matter. If an outlier was verified (through repeated testing and/or analysis), it should remain in the preliminary data set. If an outlier resulted from a transcription or similar clerical error, it should be corrected and subsequently reported.

Therefore, only if an outlier was associated with problems in the collection or analysis of the samples and as such does not conform with the Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants (40 CFR §136), it can be removed from the data set and not reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report forms (DMRs). Otherwise, all results (including monitoring of pollutants more frequently than required at the location(s) designated, using approved analytical methods as specified in the permit) should be included in the calculation

and reporting of the values required in the DMR form. You are encouraged to use "comment" section of the DMR form (or attach additional pages), in order to explain any potential outliers or dubious results.

#### F. SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE

Full compliance and operational levels shall be attained from the effective date of this permit.

# PART II

#### A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. Duty to Reapply

Permittee is not authorized to discharge after the expiration date of this permit. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the expiration date, the permittee shall submit such information and forms as are required to the Director of Water Resources (the "Director") no later than 180 days prior to the expiration date. Such applications must be properly signed and certified.

#### 2. Right of Entry

The permittee shall allow the Director, the Regional Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or their authorized representatives, upon the presentation of credentials:

- To enter upon the permittee's premises where an effluent source is located or where records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit, and at reasonable times to copy these records;
- b. To inspect at reasonable times any monitoring equipment or method or any collection, treatment, pollution management, or discharge facilities required under this permit; and
- c. To sample at reasonable times any discharge of pollutants.

#### 3. Availability of Reports

Except for data determined to be confidential under Section 308 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Division of Water Resources. As required by the Federal Act, effluent data shall not be considered confidential.

#### 4. Proper Operation and Maintenance

- a. The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems (and related appurtenances) for collection and treatment which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory and process controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems, which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit. Backup continuous pH and flow monitoring equipment are not required.
- b. Dilution water shall not be added to comply with effluent requirements to achieve BCT, BPT, BAT and or other technology-based effluent limitations such as those in State of Tennessee Rule 1200-4-5-.09.

# 5. Treatment Facility Failure

The permittee, in order to maintain compliance with this permit, shall control production, all discharges, or both, upon reduction, loss, or failure of the treatment facility, until the facility is restored or an alternative method of treatment is provided. This requirement applies in such situations as the reduction, loss, or failure of the primary source of power.

#### 6. Property Rights

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of Federal, State, or local laws or regulations.

#### 7. Severability

The provisions of this permit are severable. If any provision of this permit due to any circumstance, is held invalid, then the application of such provision to other circumstances and to the remainder of this permit shall not be affected thereby.

#### 8. Other Information

If the permittee becomes aware that he failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application, or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or in any report to the Director, then he shall promptly submit such facts or information.

#### **B. CHANGES AFFECTING THE PERMIT**

#### 1. Planned Changes

The permittee shall give notice to the Director as soon as possible of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. Notice is required only when:

- a. The alteration or addition to a permitted facility may meet one of the criteria for determining whether a facility is a new source in 40 CFR 122.29(b); or
- b. The alteration or addition could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants which are subject neither to effluent limitations in the permit, nor to notification requirements under 40 CFR 122.42(a)(1).

#### 2. Permit Modification, Revocation, or Termination

- a. This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause as described in 40 CFR 122.62 and 122.64, Federal Register, Volume 49, No. 188 (Wednesday, September 26, 1984), as amended.
- b. The permittee shall furnish to the Director, within a reasonable time, any information which the Director may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit, or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to the Director, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.
- c. If any applicable effluent standard or prohibition (including any schedule of compliance specified in such effluent standard or prohibition) is established for any toxic pollutant under Section 307(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, the Director shall modify or revoke and reissue the permit to conform to the prohibition or to the effluent standard, providing that the effluent standard is more stringent than the limitation in the permit on the toxic pollutant. The permittee shall comply with these effluent standards or prohibitions within the time provided in the regulations that establish these standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified or revoked and reissued to incorporate the requirement.
- d. The filing of a request by the permittee for a modification, revocation, reissuance, termination, or notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not halt any permit condition.

#### 3. Change of Ownership

This permit may be transferred to another party (provided there are neither modifications to the facility or its operations, nor any other changes which might affect the permit limits and conditions contained in the permit) by the permittee if:

- a. The permittee notifies the Director of the proposed transfer at least 30 days in advance of the proposed transfer date;
- b. The notice includes a written agreement between the existing and new permittees containing a specified date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and liability between them; and
- c. The Director, within 30 days, does not notify the current permittee and the new permittee of his intent to modify, revoke or reissue, or terminate the permit and to require that a new application be filed rather than agreeing to the transfer of the permit.

Pursuant to the requirements of 40 CFR 122.61, concerning transfer of ownership, the permittee must provide the following information to the division in their formal notice of intent to transfer ownership: 1) the NPDES permit number of the subject permit; 2) the effective date of the proposed transfer; 3) the name and address of the transferor; 4) the name and address of the transferee; 5) the names of the responsible parties for both the transferor and transferee; 6) a statement that the transferee assumes responsibility for the subject NPDES permit; 7) a statement that the transferor relinquishes responsibility for the subject NPDES permit; 8) the signatures of the responsible parties for both the transferor and transferee pursuant to the requirements of 40 CFR 122.22(a), "Signatories to permit applications"; and, 9) a statement regarding any proposed modifications to the facility, its operations, or any other changes which might affect the permit limits and conditions contained in the permit.

#### 4. Change of Mailing Address

The permittee shall promptly provide to the Director written notice of any change of mailing address. In the absence of such notice the original address of the permittee will be assumed to be correct.

#### C. NONCOMPLIANCE

#### 1. Effect of Noncompliance

All discharges shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of applicable State and Federal laws and is grounds for enforcement action, permit termination, permit modification, or denial of permit reissuance.

#### 2. Reporting of Noncompliance

#### a. 24-Hour Reporting

In the case of any noncompliance which could cause a threat to public drinking supplies, or any other discharge which could constitute a threat to human health or the environment, the required notice of non-compliance shall be provided to the Division of Water Resources in the appropriate regional Field Office within 24-hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. (The regional Field Office should be contacted for names and phone numbers of environmental response personnel).

A written submission must be provided within five calendar days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances, unless this requirement is waived by the Director on a case-by-case basis. The permittee shall provide the Director with the following information:

- i. A description of the discharge and cause of noncompliance;
- ii. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue; and

iii. The steps being taken to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncomplying discharge.

#### b. Scheduled Reporting

For instances of noncompliance which are not reported under subparagraph 2.a. above, the permittee shall report the noncompliance on the Discharge Monitoring Report. The report shall contain all information concerning the steps taken, or planned, to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the violation and the anticipated time the violation is expected to continue.

#### 3. Sanitary Sewer Overflow

- a. "Sanitary Sewer Overflow" means the discharge to land or water of wastes from any portion of the collection, transmission, or treatment system other than through permitted outfalls.
- Sanitary Sewer Overflows are prohibited.
- c. The permittee shall operate the collection system so as to avoid sanitary sewer overflows. No new or additional flows shall be added upstream of any point in the collection system, which experiences chronic sanitary sewer overflows (greater than 5 events per year) or would otherwise overload any portion of the system.
- d. Unless there is specific enforcement action to the contrary, the permittee is relieved of this requirement after: 1) an authorized representative of the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Conservation has approved an engineering report and construction plans and specifications prepared in accordance with accepted engineering practices for correction of the problem; 2) the correction work is underway; and 3) the cumulative, peak-design, flows potentially added from new connections and line extensions upstream of any chronic overflow point are less than or proportional to the amount of inflow and infiltration removal documented upstream of that point. The inflow and infiltration reduction must be measured by the permittee using practices that are customary in the environmental engineering field and reported in an attachment to a Monthly Operating Report submitted to the regional TDEC Field Office. The data measurement period shall be sufficient to account for seasonal rainfall patterns and seasonal groundwater table elevations.
- e. In the event that more than five (5) sanitary sewer overflows have occurred from a single point in the collection system for reasons that may not warrant the self-imposed moratorium or completion of the actions identified in this paragraph, the permittee may request a meeting with the Division of Water Resources field office staff to petition for a waiver based on mitigating evidence.

#### 4. Upset

a. "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology-based effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.

- b. An upset shall constitute an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with such technology-based permit effluent limitations if the permittee demonstrates, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
  - i. An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
  - ii. The permitted facility was at the time being operated in a prudent and workman-like manner and in compliance with proper operation and maintenance procedures;
  - iii. The permittee submitted information required under "Reporting of Noncompliance" within 24-hours of becoming aware of the upset (if this information is provided orally, a written submission must be provided within five days); and
  - iv. The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under "Adverse Impact."

#### 5. Adverse Impact

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize any adverse impact to the waters of Tennessee resulting from noncompliance with this permit, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncomplying discharge. It shall not be a defense for the permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

#### 6. Bypass

- a. "Bypass" is the intentional diversion of wastewater away from any portion of a treatment facility. "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities, which would cause them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.
- b. Bypasses are prohibited unless the following 3 conditions are met:
  - The bypass is unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
  - ii. There are not feasible alternatives to bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment down-time. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass, which occurred

during normal periods of equipment down-time or preventative maintenance;

- iii. The permittee submits notice of an unanticipated bypass to the Division of Water Resources in the appropriate environmental assistance center within 24-hours of becoming aware of the bypass (if this information is provided orally, a written submission must be provided within five days). When the need for the bypass is foreseeable, prior notification shall be submitted to the Director, if possible, at least 10 days before the date of the bypass.
- c. Bypasses not exceeding limitations are allowed **only** if the bypass is necessary for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. All other bypasses are prohibited. Allowable bypasses not exceeding limitations are not subject to the reporting requirements of 6.b.iii, above.

#### 7. Washout

- a. For domestic wastewater plants only, a "washout" shall be defined as loss of Mixed Liquor Suspended Solids (MLSS) of 30.00% or more. This refers to the MLSS in the aeration basin(s) only. This does not include MLSS decrease due to solids wasting to the sludge disposal system. A washout can be caused by improper operation or from peak flows due to infiltration and inflow.
- b. A washout is prohibited. If a washout occurs the permittee must report the incident to the Division of Water Resources in the appropriate regional Field Office within 24-hours by telephone. A written submission must be provided within 5 days. The washout must be noted on the discharge monitoring report. Each day of a washout is a separate violation.

#### D. LIABILITIES

#### 1. Civil and Criminal Liability

Except as provided in permit conditions for "Bypassing," "Overflow," and "Upset," nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance. Notwithstanding this permit, the permittee shall remain liable for any damages sustained by the State of Tennessee, including but not limited to fish kills and losses of aquatic life and/or wildlife, as a result of the discharge of wastewater to any surface or subsurface waters. Additionally, notwithstanding this Permit, it shall be the responsibility of the permittee to conduct its wastewater treatment and/or discharge activities in a manner such that public or private nuisances or health hazards will not be created.

#### 2. Liability Under State Law

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable State law or the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended.

# PART III

#### OTHER REQUIREMENTS

#### A. TOXIC POLLUTANTS

The permittee shall notify the Division of Water Resources as soon as it knows or has reason to believe:

- 1. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge on a routine or frequent basis, of any toxic substance(s) (listed at 40 CFR 122, Appendix D, Table II and III) which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following "notification levels":
  - a. One hundred micrograms per liter (100 ug/l);
  - b. Two hundred micrograms per liter (200 ug/l) for acrolein and acrylonitrile; five hundred micrograms per liter (500 ug/l) for 2,4-dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter (1 mg/L) for antimony;
  - c. Five (5) times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant(s) in the permit application in accordance with 122.21(g)(7); or
  - d. The level established by the Director in accordance with 122.44(f).
- 2. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in any discharge, on a non-routine or infrequent basis, of a toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following "notification levels":
  - a. Five hundred micrograms per liter (500 ug/l);
  - b. One milligram per liter (1 mg/L) for antimony;
  - c. Ten (10) times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application in accordance with 122.21(g)(7); or
  - d. The level established by the Director in accordance with 122.44(f).

#### **B. REOPENER CLAUSE**

If an applicable standard or limitation is promulgated under Sections 301(b)(2)(C) and (D), 304(B)(2), and 307(a)(2) and that effluent standard or limitation is more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit or controls a pollutant not limited in the permit, the permit shall be promptly modified or revoked and reissued to conform to that effluent standard or limitation.

#### C. PLACEMENT OF SIGNS

Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this permit, the permittee shall place and maintain a sign(s) at each outfall and any bypass/overflow point in the collection system. For the purposes of this requirement, any bypass/overflow point that has discharged five (5) or more times in the last year must be so posted. The sign(s) should be clearly visible to the public from the bank and the receiving stream or from the nearest public property/right-of-way, if applicable. The minimum sign size should be two feet by two feet (2' x 2') with one inch (1") letters. The sign should be made of durable material and have a white background with black letters.

The sign(s) are to provide notice to the public as to the nature of the discharge and, in the case of the permitted outfalls, that the discharge is regulated by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Resources. The following is given as an example of the minimal amount of information that must be included on the sign:

INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER AND STORM WATER RUNOFF AOC L.L.C. - TN Plant (Permittee's Phone Number) NPDES Permit NO. TN0000442 TENNESSEE DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES 1-888-891-8332 ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD OFFICE - Memphis

#### D. ANTIDEGRADATION

Pursuant to the Rules of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Chapter 1200-4-3-.06, titled "Tennessee Antidegradation Statement," which prohibits the degradation of high quality surface waters and the increased discharges of substances that cause or contribute to impairment, the permittee shall further be required, pursuant to the terms and conditions of this permit, to comply with the effluent limitations and schedules of compliance required to implement applicable water quality standards, to comply with a State Water Quality Plan or other state or federal laws or regulations, or where practicable, to comply with a standard permitting no discharge of pollutants.

# **PART IV**

#### **BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES CONDITIONS**

#### A. GENERAL CONDITIONS

For purposes of this part, the terms "pollutant" or "pollutants" refer to any substance listed as toxic under Section 307(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, oil, as defined in Section 311(a)(1) of the Act, and any substance listed as hazardous under Section 311 of the Act. The permittee shall develop and implement a Best Management Practices (BMP) plan which prevents, or minimizes the potential for, the release of pollutants (including oil and grease) from ancillary activities, including material storage areas; plant site runoff; in-plant transfer, process and material handling areas; loading and unloading operations, and sludge and waste disposal areas, to the waters of the State of Tennessee through plant site runoff; spillage or leaks; sludge or waste disposal; or drainage from raw material storage.

#### **B. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

The BMP program shall:

- 1. Be documented in narrative form, and shall include any necessary plot plans, drawings, or maps;
- 2. Establish specific objectives for the control of toxic and hazardous pollutants:
  - a. Each facility component or system shall be examined for its potential for causing a release of significant amounts of toxic or hazardous pollutants to waters of the State of Tennessee due to equipment failure, improper operation, natural phenomena such as rain or snowfall, etc.;
  - b. Where experience indicates a reasonable potential for equipment failure (e.g., a tank overflow or leakage), natural condition (e.g., precipitation), or other circumstances to result in significant amounts of toxic or hazardous pollutants reaching surface waters, the plan should include a prediction of the direction, rate of flow, and total quantity of toxic or hazardous pollutants which could be discharged from the facility as a result of each condition or circumstance;
- 3. Establish specific best management practices to meet the objectives identified under section B.2. contained herein, addressing each component or system capable of causing a release of significant amounts of toxic or hazardous pollutants to the waters of the State of Tennessee;
- 4. The BMP program:

- May reflect requirements for Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) plans under section 311 of the Act and Title 40 CFR part 112, and may incorporate any part of such plans into the BMP program by reference;
- b. Shall assure the proper management of solid and hazardous waste in accordance with regulations promulgated under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA) (40 U.S.C. §6901, et. seq.). Management practices required under RCRA regulations shall be expressly incorporated into the BMP program; and,
- c. Shall address the following points for the ancillary activities listed in section A.1.:
  - i. Statement of policy;
  - ii. Spill Control Committee: responsible for BMP program implementation and subsequent review and updating:
  - iii. <u>Material inventory</u>: identification of all sources and quantities of toxic and hazardous substances handled or produced, including plant drawings and plot plans, materials flow diagrams, physical, chemical, toxicological, and health information on toxic and hazardous substances, and investigation and evaluation of new materials;
  - iv. <u>Material compatibility</u>: evaluation of process changes or revisions for materials compatibility, review of properties of chemicals handled and materials of construction, evaluation of means of chemical disposal and incompatibility, cleansing of vessels and transfer lines, and use of proper coatings and cathodic protection on buried pipelines if required;
  - v. <u>Employee training</u>: meetings to be held at frequent intervals, spill drills, adequate job training, transmission of information on past spills and causes, informing employees of BMP program components, training in cleanup procedures, and review and interface with safety program;
  - vi. Reporting and notification procedures: maintenance of records of spills through formal reports for internal review, notification as required by law to governmental and environmental agencies in the event of a spill, and procedures for notifying the appropriate plant personnel;
  - vii. <u>Visual inspections</u>: routine inspections with visual observations of storage facilities, transfer pipelines, and loading and unloading areas, detailed inspections of pipes, pumps, valves, fittings, tank corrosion, tank support and foundation deterioration, etc.;
  - viii. <u>Preventive maintenance</u>: identification of equipment and systems to which the preventive maintenance program should apply, periodic inspection and testing of such equipment and systems, appropriate adjustment, repair, or replacement of parts, and maintenance of preventive maintenance records;
  - ix. <u>Good housekeeping</u>: neat and orderly storage of chemicals, prompt removal of small spillage, regular garbage pickup, maintenance of dry and clean floors, proper pathways and walkways, minimum

- accumulation of liquid and solid chemicals on the ground or floor in a building, and stimulation of employee interest in good housekeeping;
- x. <u>Security</u>: plant patrols, fencing, good lighting, traffic control, controlled access where appropriate, visitor passes, locked entrances, locks on drain valves and pumps for chemical storage tanks, and television monitoring.

Note: Additional technical information on BMPs and the elements of a BMP program is contained in EPA publications entitled "Guidance Manual for Developing Best Management Practices (BMP)" (EPA 833-B-93-004) and "Stormwater Management for Industrial Activities: Developing Pollution Prevention Plans and Best Management Practices" (EPA 832-R-92-006).

#### C. DOCUMENTATION

The permittee shall maintain the BMP plan at the facility and shall make the plan available to the permit issuing authority upon request.

#### D. BMP PLAN MODIFICATION

The permittee shall amend the BMP plan whenever there is a change in the facility or change in the operation of the facility, which materially increases the potential for the ancillary activities to result in a discharge of significant amounts of pollutants.

#### **E. MODIFICATION FOR INEFFECTIVENESS**

If the BMP plan proves to be ineffective in achieving the general objective of preventing the release of significant amounts of pollutants to surface waters and the specific objectives and requirements under section B, the permit shall be subject to modification pursuant to 40 CFR 122.62 or 122.63 to incorporate revised BMP requirements. Any such permit modification shall be subject to review in accordance with the procedures for permit appeals set forth in accordance with 69-3-110, Tennessee Code Annotated.

#### F. COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE

Unless the permittee is otherwise authorized by the division in writing, the BMP Plan shall be completed as follows:

- 1. The plan shall be developed and available for review within 30 days after permit effective date.
- 2. The permittee shall begin implementation of the BMP Plan as soon as possible, but not later than 60 days after permit coverage. Where new construction is necessary to implement the management plan, a construction schedule shall be included. Construction shall be completed as soon as possible.

3. The permittee shall fully complete the approved BMP Plan, including all necessary construction, and be in full compliance with the Act, within six months following initial implementation of the Plan.

# **RATIONALE**

# AOC L.L.C. - TN Plant NPDES PERMIT NO. TN0000442 Collierville, Fayette County, Tennessee

**Permit Writer: Miss Julie Harse** 

#### I. DISCHARGER

AOC L.L.C. - TN Plant 860 Hwy 57 East Collierville, Fayette County, Tennessee Site Longitude: -89.626 Site Latitude: 35.04614

Official Contact Person: Mr. Skip Swanner Plant Manager (901) 854-2800

**Nature of Business:** 

Plastics Material Synthetic Resins, and Nonvulcanizable Elastomers

SIC Code(s): 2821

Industrial Classification: Primary Discharger Rating: Minor

PRIMARY INDUSTRY CATEGORY means any industry category listed in the NRDC Settlement Agreement (Natural Resources Defense Council v. Train, 8 ERC 2120 [D.D.C. 1976], modified 12 ERC 1833 [D.D.C. 1979]).

#### II. PERMIT STATUS

Issued June 30, 2008
Expired June 30, 2013
Application for renewal received January 03, 2013

#### **Watershed Scheduling**

Environmental Field Office: Memphis Hydrocode: 8010210 Watershed Group: 3 Watershed Identification: Wolf Target Reissuance Year: 2018

#### III. FACILITY DISCHARGES AND RECEIVING WATERS

AOC L.L.C. - TN Plant discharges treated sanitary wastewater (via Internal Monitoring Point 006), steam condensate, non-contact cooling water and storm water runoff from Outfall 001 to unnamed tributary at mile 2.2 to Wolf River at mile 33.3. Appendix 1 summarizes facility discharges and the receiving stream information for Outfall 001.

Storm water discharges associated with the industrial activity of this facility are covered by the Tennessee Multi-Sector General Storm Water Permit TNR051544. Storm water concerns associated with this facility are covered in this general permit and will, therefore, not be addressed in the new permit.

#### IV. APPLICABLE EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS GUIDELINES

There are no EPA effluent guidelines for the discharges from this facility. Standards of performance are therefore established in accordance with existing state regulations using available treatability information

#### V. PREVIOUS PERMIT LIMITS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

Appendix 2 lists the permit limitations and monitoring requirements as defined in the previous permit.

#### VI. HISTORICAL MONITORING AND INSPECTION

During the previous permit term, AOC L.L.C. - TN Plant did not have any appreciable difficulty in meeting effluent limitations as outlined in the previous permit. A summary of the data reported on Discharge Monitoring Report forms during the previous permit term is summarized in Appendix 3. The Memphis Field Office has scheduled compliance inspections for 2013.

#### VII. NEW PERMIT LIMITS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

The proposed new permit limits have been selected by determining a technology-based limit and evaluating if that limit protects the water quality of the receiving stream. If the technology-based limit would cause violations of water quality, the water quality-based limit is chosen. The technology-based limit is determined from EPA effluent limitations guidelines if applicable (see Part IV); or from State of Tennessee maximum effluent limits for effluent limited segments per Rule 1200-4-5-.08; or by way of operational and/or treatability data. Furthermore, effluent limitations in this permit must comply with any approved Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) studies. Appendix 4 lists all proposed effluent limitations and monitoring requirements to be included in the new permit. Note that in general, the term "anti-backsliding" refers to a statutory provision that prohibits the renewal, reissuance, or modification of an existing NPDES permit that contains effluents limits, permit conditions, or standards that are less stringent than those established in the previous permit.

#### **Internal Monitoring Point 006**

The internal monitoring point is for the sanitary discharge and will be limited by the following parameters.

#### <u>Flow</u>

Monitoring of flow quantifies the load of pollutants to the stream. Flow shall be reported in Million Gallons per Day (MGD) and monitored at the time of sample collection.

#### Total Suspended Solids (TSS) and Settleable Solids

The State of Tennessee Water Quality Standards for the protection of Fish & Aquatic Life [Chapter 1200-4-3-.03(3) (c)] state there shall be no distinctly visible solids, scum, foam, oily slick, or the formation of slimes, bottom deposits or sludge banks of such size or character that may be detrimental to fish and aquatic life in the receiving stream.

Total Suspended Solids is a general indicator of the quality of a wastewater and will be limited in this permit. The technology-based limits for domestic wastewater treatment plants are 30 mg/L for a monthly average concentration and 45 mg/L for a daily maximum concentration. The permit writer believes the previous permit limits will provide protection of water quality in the receiving stream. Considering the nature of wastewater collection and discharge system, the sample type will be grab.

Settleable solids is a general indicator of the quality of a wastewater and will be limited in this permit. The previous permit limit is a technology based number that was based on the permit writer's best professional judgment. The previous permit limits will continue to be required in the new permit. The monitoring frequency will be twice a week and the sample type will be grab.

#### E.coli

Facilities that discharge sanitary water are required to meet instream coliform standards at the discharge point. The new permit will require the recreational water quality criteria of 126 colonies per 100 mL for the geometric mean and 941 colonies per 100 mL for the daily maximum. The monitoring frequency will be twice a month and the sample type will be grab.

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According to the State of Tennessee Water Quality Standards [Chapter 1200-4-3-.03(3) (b)], the pH for the protection of Fish and Aquatic Life shall lie within the range of 6.0 to 9.0 for wadeable streams and shall not fluctuate more than 1.0 unit in this range over a period of 24-hours. The effluent limitation for pH will be retained in a range 6.0 to 9.0 and the sample type will be grab.

#### **Total Residual Chlorine**

Wastewater treatment with chlorine involves mixing chlorine gas with water to produce free available chlorine (HOCl and OCl). The free available chlorine reacts with certain pollutants such as ammonia and coliform and converts the free available chlorine to chloramines. The amount of chlorine converted to chloramines is based on the contact time, pH and temperature of the wastewater. A properly designed system will maximize the breakdown and disinfection of pollutants and minimize the free available chlorine at the exit of the treatment system. The total residual chlorine concentration of 2 mg/L at the treatment system exit is an obtainable design parameter that is consistently applied to NPDES permits. The daily maximum concentration

permit limit of 2 mg/L will be applied based on the permit writer's judgment of reasonable treatment.

# **Dissolved Oxygen**

The water quality criteria require a minimum instream dissolved oxygen of 5.0 mg/L. The previous permit limit of 3.0 mg/L as a minimum dissolved oxygen concentration will be required to ensure that the sanitary wastewater does not cause a drop in the dissolved oxygen concentration of the total combined effluent.

#### BOD<sub>5</sub> and Ammonia as N

The BOD₅ and ammonia parameters are limited at the internal monitoring point because high concentrations of either pollutant to the receiving stream can reduce the instream dissolved oxygen concentration below the minimum 5.0 mg/L. The limits at Internal Monitoring Point 006 are best professional judgment numbers that will continue to be required in the new permit. The sampling frequency will be twice a month and the sample type will be grab.

#### Outfall 001

#### Flow

Monitoring of flow quantifies the load of pollutants to the stream. Flow shall be reported in Million Gallons per Day (MGD) and monitored at the time of sample collection.

#### <u>рН</u>

According to the State of Tennessee Water Quality Standards [Chapter 1200-4-3-.03(3) (b)], the pH for the protection of Fish and Aquatic Life shall lie within the range of 6.0 to 9.0 for wadeable streams and shall not fluctuate more than 1.0 unit in this range over a period of 24-hours. The effluent limitation for pH will be retained in a range 6.0 to 9.0 and the sample type will be grab.

#### **Total Suspended Solids (TSS)**

The State of Tennessee Water Quality Standards for the protection of Fish & Aquatic Life [Chapter 1200-4-3-.03(3) (c)] state there shall be no distinctly visible solids, scum, foam, oily slick, or the formation of slimes, bottom deposits or sludge banks of such size or character that may be detrimental to fish and aquatic life in the receiving stream.

Total Suspended Solids is a general indicator of the quality of a wastewater and will be limited in this permit. The technology-based limits for wastewater streams such as non-contact cooling water are 30 mg/L for a monthly average concentration and 45 mg/L for a daily maximum concentration. The new permit will continue to have a monthly average concentration of 30 mg/L and a daily maximum concentration of 45 mg/L. Considering the nature of wastewater collection and discharge system, the sample type will be grab.

#### BOD<sub>5</sub>

Since non-contact cooling water and steam condensate typically have concentrations of oxygen demanding pollutants that are lower than sanitary wastewater, the new permit will require a monthly average concentration of 20 mg/l and a daily maximum concentration of 30 mg/L.

#### Ammonia as N

The State utilizes the EPA document, 1999 Update to Ambient Water Quality Criteria for Ammonia and assumed temperatures of 30°C and 20°C and stream pH of 8 to derive an allowable instream protection value. A mass balance with plant and stream flows and this allowable value determines the monthly average permit limit. Seasonal limits may also be allowed due to ambient temperature variations between the summer and winter seasons.

#### 30°C and stream pH of 8,

#### 20°C and stream pH of 8,

CCC= 
$$\frac{0.0577}{1+10^{7.688-pH}}$$
 +  $\frac{2.487}{1+10^{pH-7.688}}$  \* Min (2.85, 1.45\*10  $^{0.028*(25-T)}$ )

CCC= 1.709 mg/l

 $\frac{(0 \text{ MGD})(0.1 \text{ mg/l}) + (1.5 \text{ MGD})(x \text{ mg/l})}{(0 + 1.5) \text{ MGD}}$  = 1.7 mg/l

 $x=1.7 \text{ mg/l}$ 

where:

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CCC = Allowable instream NH<sub>3</sub> chronic criterion (mg/l)
0.0 = 7Q10 flow of receiving stream (MGD)
0.1 = Assumed/Measured instream NH<sub>3</sub> (mg/l)
1.5 = Long term average flow of facility (MGD)
x = Allowable facility discharge of NH<sub>3</sub> (mg/l)
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In this case, limiting ammonia to prevent toxicity is necessary at ambient conditions. The new permit will require ammonia monthly average limits of 0.9 mg/l (summer) and 1.7 mg/l (winter).

#### IX. ANTIDEGRADATION

Tennessee's Antidegradation Statement is found in the Rules of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Chapter 1200-4-3-.06. It is the purpose of Tennessee's standards to fully protect existing uses of all surface waters as established under the Act. Stream determinations for this permit action are associated with the water body segment identified by the division as segment ID#TN08010210004\_0600. The division has made a determination of the receiving waters associated with the subject discharge(s) and has found the receiving stream to be available conditions waters. Available conditions exist where water quality is better than the applicable criterion for a specific parameter. The applicant has demonstrated to the department that reasonable alternatives to new or increased degradation to the available conditions waters are not feasible.

The department has maintained, and shall continue to assess, the water quality of the stream to assure that the water quality is adequate to protect the existing uses of the stream fully, and to assure that there shall be achieved the highest statutory and regulatory requirements for all new and existing point sources and all cost-effective and reasonable best management practices for nonpoint source control.

#### X. PERMIT DURATION

The proposed limitations meet the requirements of Section 301(b)(2)(A), (C), (D), (E), and (F) of the Clean Water Act as amended. It is the intent of the division to organize the future issuance and expiration of this particular permit such that other permits located in the same watershed and group within the State of Tennessee will be set for issuance and expiration at the same time. In order to meet the target reissuance date for the Wolf watershed and following the directives for the Watershed Management Program initiated in January, 1996, the permit will be issued to expire in 2018.

# **APPENDIX 1**

# **FACILITY DISCHARGES AND RECEIVING WATERS**

| IMP 006            |           |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| LONGITUDE LATITUDE |           |  |  |  |  |
| -89.625000         | 35.041667 |  |  |  |  |

| FLOW    | DISCHARGE                            |  |  |  |  |
|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| (MGD)   | SOURCE                               |  |  |  |  |
| 0.00533 | Sewage treatment/Domestic wastewater |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                      |  |  |  |  |
|         | TREATMENT: Aerobic Digestion,        |  |  |  |  |
|         | Chlorine Treatment/Removal,          |  |  |  |  |
|         | Settling, Aeration.                  |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                      |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                      |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                      |  |  |  |  |
| 0.005   | TOTAL DISCHARGE                      |  |  |  |  |

| RECEIVING STREAM   |      |      |      |  |  |  |
|--|------|------|------|--|--|--|
| DISCHARGE ROUTE  |      |      |      |  |  |  |
| Unnamed tributary at mile 2.2 to Wolf River at mile 33.3 |      |      |      |  |  |  |
| (via Outfall 001)  |      |      |      |  |  |  |
| STREAM LOW   | 7Q10 | 1Q10 | 30Q5 |  |  |  |
| FLOW (CFS)   | NA   | N/A  | N/A  |  |  |  |
| (MGD)  | NA   | N/A  | N/A  |  |  |  |

| STREAM USE CLASSIFICATIONS (WATER QUALITY) |            |            |      |          |  |  |
|--|------------|------------|------|----------|--|--|
| FISH                                       | RECREATION | IRRIGATION | LW&W | DOMESTIC |  |  |
| X  | X          | Х          | X    |          |  |  |
| INDUSTRIAL                                 | NAVIGATION |            |      |          |  |  |
|  |            |            |      |          |  |  |

| OUTFALL 001        |           |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| LONGITUDE LATITUDE |           |  |  |  |  |
| -89.625000         | 35.041667 |  |  |  |  |

| FLOW    | DISCHARGE                            |  |  |  |  |
|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| (MGD)   | SOURCE                               |  |  |  |  |
| 0.0234  | Steam condensate                     |  |  |  |  |
| 0.8186  | Non-contact cooling water            |  |  |  |  |
| 0.6565  | Storm water runoff                   |  |  |  |  |
| 0.00533 | Sewage treatment/Domestic wastewater |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                      |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                      |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                      |  |  |  |  |
|         |                                      |  |  |  |  |
| 1.500   | TOTAL DISCHARGE                      |  |  |  |  |

| RECEIVING STREAM   |           |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|-----------|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| DISCHARGE ROUTE  |           |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unnamed tributary at mile 2.2 to Wolf River at mile 33.3 |           |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| STREAM LOW   | 7Q10      | 1Q10 | 30Q5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| FLOW (CFS)   | 0.000 N/A |      | N/A  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (MGD)  | 0.000     | N/A  | N/A  |  |  |  |  |  |

| STREAM USE CLASSIFICATIONS (WATER QUALITY) |            |            |      |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|------------|------------|------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| FISH                                       | RECREATION | IRRIGATION | LW&W | DOMESTIC |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| X  | Χ          | Χ          | Χ    |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| INDUSTRIAL                                 | NAVIGATION |            |      |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |            |            |      |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |

# **APPENDIX 2**

# PREVIOUS PERMIT LIMITS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

# **PERMIT LIMITS**

#### Internal Monitoring Point (IMP) 006 - Treated sanitary wastewater

|                                   |            | EFFLUENT I | MONIT       | ORING      |              |               |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--|
|                                   | MON        | THLY       | DA          | ILY        | REQUIREMENTS |               |  |
| EFFLUENT                          | AVG. CONC. | AVG. AMNT. | MAX. CONC.  | MAX. AMNT. | M SRM NT.    | SAMPLE        |  |
| CHARACTERISTIC                    | (mg/l)     | (lb/day)   | (m g/l)     | (lb/day)   | FRQNCY.      | TYPE          |  |
| FLOW                              | Report (   | (MGD) *    | Report (    | (MGD) *    | 2/Week       | Instantaneous |  |
| TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS (TSS)      | 30.0       |            | 45.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab          |  |
| E. Coli                           | 126/100 mL |            | 941/100 ml  |            | 2/Month      | Grab          |  |
| рН                                |            | Range      | 6.0 - 9.0   |            | 2/Week       | Grab ***      |  |
| CHLORINE, TOTAL<br>RESIDUAL (TRC) |            |            | 2.0         |            | 2/Week       | Grab ***      |  |
| DISSOLVED OXYGEN (D.O.)           |            |            | 3.0 minimum |            | 2/Week       | Grab ***      |  |
| NITROGEN, AMMONIA<br>TOTAL        | 5.0        |            | 10.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab          |  |
| SOLIDS, SETTLEABLE                |            |            | 0.5 mL/L    |            | 2/Week       | Grab          |  |
| BOD5                              | 20.0       |            | 30.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab          |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Flow shall be reported in Million Gallons per Day (MGD).
\*\* The wastewater discharge must be disinfected to the extent that viable coliform organisms are effectively eliminated. The E. coli monitoring requirement for this permit shall require the permittee to report the geometric mean and maximum values. pH and TRC analyses shall be performed within fifteen (15) minutes of sample collection.

# **PERMIT LIMITS**

#### OUTFALL 001 - Steam Condensate, non-contact cooling water, treated sanitary wastewater and storm water runoff

|                                     |            | EFFLUENT L | MONITORING |            |              |               |  |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--|
|                                     | MON.       | THLY       | DA         | ILY        | REQUIREMENTS |               |  |
| EFFLUENT                            | AVG. CONC. | AVG. AMNT. | MAX. CONC. | MAX. AMNT. | MSRMNT.      | SAMPLE        |  |
| CHARACTERISTIC                      | (mg/l)     | (lb/day)   | (mg/l)     | (lb/day)   | FRQNCY.      | TYPE          |  |
| FLOW                                | Report     | (MGD) *    | Report     | (MGD) *    | Continuous   | Instantaneous |  |
| рН**                                |            | Range (    | 6.0 - 9.0  |            | 2/Week       | Grab          |  |
| TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS (TSS)        | 30.0       |            | 45.0       |            | 1/Week       | Grab          |  |
| NITROGEN, AMMONIA<br>TOTAL (Summer) | 0.9        |            | 2.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab ***      |  |
| NITROGEN, AMMONIA<br>TOTAL (Winter) | 1.7        |            | 2.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab ***      |  |
| BOD5                                | 20.0       |            | 30.0       |            | 1/Month      | Grab          |  |

Flow shall be reported in Million Gallons per Day (MGD). pH and TRC analyses shall be performed within fifteen (15) minutes of sample collection.

Must be monitored at a point below the confluence of Discharges 001 and 006, but prior to entering the unnamed tributary. Note: Summer period is May 1 through September 30; Winter period is October 1 through April 30.

# **APPENDIX 3**

# HISTORICAL MONITORING AND INSPECTION

| IMP 006                  | Flo                         | ow                     | ВО                          | D5                     | TS                          | is                     | Ammor                       | nia as N     | F                        | coli             | Settleable<br>Solids | Dissolved<br>Oxygen | Total<br>Residual<br>Chlorine | r                      | ьн                     |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 5.                       | Monthly<br>Average<br>Conc. | Daily<br>Max.<br>Conc. | Monthly<br>Average<br>Conc. | Daily<br>Max.<br>Conc. | Monthly<br>Average<br>Conc. | Daily<br>Max.<br>Conc. | Monthly<br>Average<br>Conc. | Daily Max.   | Monthly<br>Average Conc. | Daily Max. Conc. | Daily Max.           | Daily Min.          | Daily Max.<br>Conc.           | Daily<br>Min.<br>Conc. | Daily<br>Max.<br>Conc. |
| Date                     | mg/L                        | mg/L                   | mg/L                        | mg/L                   | mg/L                        | mg/L                   | mg/L                        | mg/L         | #/100 ml                 | #/100 ml         | mg/L                 | mg/L                | mg/L                          | SU                     | SU                     |
| 00/24/2000               |                             |                        |                             |                        |                             |                        | 0.04                        |              |                          | #/ 100 1111      |                      |                     |                               |                        |                        |
| 08/31/2008<br>09/30/2008 | 0.0008<br>0.0007            | 0.0011<br>0.0012       | 2                           | 2<br>4                 | 3                           | 3<br>3                 | 0.04                        | 0.05<br>0.05 | 3<br>6                   |                  | 0.1<br>0.1           | 7.6<br>8.9          | 0.32<br>0.36                  | 7.5<br>8.0             | 8.0<br>8.2             |
| 10/31/2008               | 0.0007                      | 0.0012                 | 4                           | 5                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.03                        | 0.46         | 5                        |                  | 0.0                  | 8.6                 | 0.38                          | 7.5                    | 8.2                    |
| 11/30/2008               | 0.0016                      | 0.0013                 | 1                           | 1                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.40         | 16                       | 24               | 0.0                  | 14.6                | 0.38                          | 8.0                    | 8.2                    |
| 12/31/2008               | 0.0019                      | 0.0029                 | 1                           | 2                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 2                        | 2.               | 0.1                  | 12.0                | 0.28                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 01/31/2009               | 0.0016                      | 0.0027                 | 1                           | 1                      | 4                           | 5                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 4                        |                  | 0.1                  | 8.0                 | 0.38                          | 7.8                    | 8.4                    |
| 02/28/2009               | 0.002                       | 0.0027                 | 1                           | 2                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.06         | 4                        | 6                | 0.1                  | 11.4                | 0.42                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 03/31/2009               | 0.0019                      | 0.0032                 | 2                           | 2                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 3                        |                  | 0.1                  | 9.6                 | 0.33                          | 7.6                    | 7.9                    |
| 04/30/2009               | 0.0013                      | 0.0026                 | 1                           | 2                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        |                  | 0.1                  | 9.6                 | 0.38                          | 7.6                    | 8.0                    |
| 05/31/2009               | 0.0009                      | 0.0021                 | 1                           | 1                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        |                  | 0.1                  | 8.4                 | 0.42                          | 7.9                    | 8.2                    |
| 06/30/2009               | 0.0006                      | 0.0009                 | 2                           | 3                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        |                  | 0.1                  | 10.8                | 0.36                          | 7.8                    | 8.2                    |
| 07/31/2009               | 0.0008                      | 0.0017                 | 1                           | 2                      | 3                           | 5                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        |                  | 0.1                  | 8.9                 | 0.38                          | 7.8                    | 8.2                    |
| 08/31/2009               | 0.0008                      | 0.0017                 | 2                           | 2                      | 4                           | 6                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 0                        | 0                | 0.1                  | 8.6                 | 0.36                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 09/30/2009               | 0.0003                      | 0.0022                 | 2                           | 3                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        |                  | 0.1                  | 8.4                 | 0.34                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 10/31/2009               | 0.0012                      | 0.0024                 | 1                           | 2                      | 2                           | 2                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        |                  | 0.1                  | 8.0                 | 0.38                          | 8.2                    | 8.6                    |
| 11/30/2009               | 0.0016                      | 0.003                  | 1                           | 1                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        |                  | 0.1                  | 11.0                | 0.36                          | 7.4                    | 8.2                    |
| 12/31/2009               | 0.0019                      | 0.0043                 | 2                           | 3                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.03                        | 0.03         | 2                        |                  | 0.1                  | 14.2                | 0.28                          | 7.8                    | 10.0                   |
| 01/31/2010               | 0.002                       | 0.004                  | 5                           | 5                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.06                        | 0.07         | 2                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 14.6                | 0.39                          | 7.8                    | 8.1                    |
| 02/28/2010               | 0.002                       | 0.0054                 | 1                           | 2                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 10.4                | 0.38                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 03/31/2010               | 0.0019                      | 0.0026                 | 3                           | 3                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 2                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 7.8                 | 0.33                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 04/30/2010               | 0.0017                      | 0.0028                 | 3                           | 3                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.04                        | 0.05         | 2                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 8.3                 | 0.35                          | 7.8                    | 8.4                    |
| 05/31/2010               | 0.0013                      | 0.0054                 | 3                           | 3                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 2                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 9.0                 | 0.39                          | 7.8                    | 8.4                    |
| 06/30/2010<br>07/31/2010 | 0.0016                      | 0.0054<br>0.0012       | 5<br>2                      | 5<br>3                 | 4<br>3                      | 4<br>3                 | 0.05<br>0.05                | 0.05         | 2<br>1                   | 2<br>1           | 0.1<br>0.1           | 9.0<br>6.6          | 0.33                          | 7.5<br>7.6             | 8.4<br>8.6             |
| 08/31/2010               | 0.0006<br>0.0006            | 0.0012                 | 2                           | 2                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05<br>0.05 | 2                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 7.2                 | 0.38<br>0.33                  | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 09/30/2010               | 0.0006                      | 0.0009                 | 2                           | 2                      | 2                           | 2                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 7.2                 | 0.33                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 10/31/2010               | 0.0000                      | 0.0003                 | 1                           | 1                      | 2                           | 2                      | 0.03                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 8.0                 | 0.50                          | 7.8                    | 8.2                    |
| 11/30/2010               | 0.0015                      | 0.0028                 | 6                           | 7                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 2                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 14.2                | 0.38                          | 7.8                    | 8.0                    |
| 12/31/2010               | 0.0013                      | 0.0027                 | 2                           | 3                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 14.2                | 0.38                          | 8.0                    | 8.2                    |
| 01/31/2011               | 0.0024                      | 0.0057                 | 2                           | 2                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 13.8                | 0.38                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 02/28/2011               | 0.0028                      | 0.0047                 | 3                           | 3                      | 6                           | 10                     | 0.04                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 13.6                | 0.39                          | 7.6                    | 8.8                    |
| 03/31/2011               | 0.0025                      | 0.0047                 | 2                           | 2                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 14.0                | 0.36                          | 7.6                    | 8.2                    |
| 04/30/2011               | 0.0013                      | 0.0017                 | 6                           | 9                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.02                        | 0.02         | 2                        | 6                | 0.1                  | 8.2                 | 0.39                          | 7.8                    | 8.1                    |
| 05/31/2011               | 0.0006                      | 0.0018                 | 2                           | 3                      | 4                           | 4                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 7.6                 | 0.45                          | 7.6                    | 8.0                    |
| 06/30/2011               | 0.0008                      | 0.0014                 | 3                           | 4                      | 2                           | 2                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 6.8                 | 0.36                          | 6.9                    | 8.9                    |
| 07/31/2011               | 0.0005                      | 0.001                  | 4                           | 6                      | 2                           | 3                      | 0.32                        | 1.60         | 2                        | 3                | 0.1                  | 4.8                 | 0.36                          | 7.8                    | 8.6                    |
| 08/31/2011               | 0.0005                      | 0.0007                 | 10                          | 18                     | 5                           | 8                      | 0.66                        | 0.68         | 2                        | 3                | 0.1                  | 7.2                 | 0.44                          | 7.2                    | 8.2                    |
| 09/30/2011               | 0.0011                      | 0.0064                 | 5                           | 7                      | 10                          | 12                     | 0.31                        | 0.49         | 3                        | 4                | 0.1                  | 6.9                 | 0.48                          | 7.0                    | 8.5                    |
| 10/31/2011               | 0.0011                      | 0.0015                 | 3                           | 4                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.74                        | 0.79         | 4                        | 6                | 0.1                  | 8.0                 | 0.38                          | 7.8                    | 8.2                    |
| 11/30/2011               | 0.0007                      | 0.0018                 | 2                           | 2                      | 4                           | 5                      | 0.44                        | 0.48         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 8.2                 | 0.36                          | 7.9                    | 8.6                    |
| 12/31/2011               | 0.0006                      | 0.0014<br>0.0007       | 4                           | 4                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.27                        | 0.35         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 8.2                 | 1.10                          | 7.4                    | 8.6                    |
| 01/31/2012<br>02/29/2012 | 0.0005<br>0.0006            | 0.0007                 | 8                           | 14<br>4                | 10<br>2                     | 13<br>2                | 0.21<br>0.26                | 0.23<br>0.28 | 13<br>1                  | 16<br>2          | 0.1<br>0.1           | 8.7<br>10.1         | 0.81<br>0.33                  | 7.6<br>7.7             | 8.8<br>8.7             |
| 03/31/2012               | 0.0006                      | 0.0009                 | 3<br>2                      | 2                      | 2                           | 3                      | 0.26                        | 0.28         | 3                        | 4                | 0.1                  | 9.2                 | 0.33                          | 7.7                    | 8.7                    |
| 04/30/2012               | 0.0001                      | 0.0003                 | 2                           | 2                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.33                        | 0.50         | 2                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 7.5                 | 0.70                          | 7.1                    | 7.8                    |
| 05/31/2012               | 0.001                       | 0.0037                 | 4                           | 6                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.42                        | 0.49         | 5                        | 12               | 0.1                  | 7.5                 | 0.44                          | 7.5                    | 8.1                    |
| 06/30/2012               | 0.0006                      | 0.002                  | 2                           | 3                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.45                        | 0.45         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 7.2                 | 0.38                          | 6.7                    | 8.4                    |
| 07/31/2012               | 0.0019                      | 0.0052                 | 2                           | 3                      | 4                           | 5                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 1                | 0.1                  | 7.6                 | 0.37                          | 6.8                    | 8.6                    |
| 08/31/2012               | 0.0008                      | 0.0012                 | 7                           | 7                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 6.8                 | 0.39                          | 8.0                    | 8.6                    |
| 09/30/2012               | 0.0006                      | 0.0009                 | 6                           | 7                      | 2                           | 3                      | 0.06                        | 0.07         | 2                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 7.1                 | 0.38                          | 7.6                    | 8.6                    |
| 10/31/2012               | 0.0008                      | 0.0012                 | 3                           | 4                      | 3                           | 3                      | 0.05                        | 0.05         | 1                        | 2                | 0.1                  | 7.2                 | 0.36                          | 7.2                    | 8.2                    |
| Standard Dev.            | 0.001                       | 0.002                  | 2                           | 3                      | 2                           | 2                      | 0.17                        | 0.28         | 3                        | 5                | 0.01                 | 2.5                 | 0.13                          | 0.3                    | 0.3                    |
| Minimum                  | 0.000                       | 0.001                  | 1                           | 1                      | 2                           | 2                      | 0.02                        | 0.02         | 0                        | 0                | 0.00                 | 4.8                 | 0.28                          | 6.7                    |                        |
| Maximum                  | 0.003                       | 0.006                  | 10                          | 18                     | 10                          | 13                     | 0.74                        | 1.60         | 16                       | 24               | 0.10                 | 14.6                | 1.10                          |                        | 10.0                   |
| Average                  | 0.001                       | 0.002                  | 3                           | 4                      | 3                           | 4                      | 0.12                        | 0.17         | 2                        | 3                | 0.10                 | 9.2                 | 0.40                          | 7.6                    | 8.3                    |
| Permit Limit             | Report                      | Report                 | 20                          | 30                     | 30                          | 45                     | 5                           | 10           | 126/100 ml               | 941/100 ml       | 0.5                  | 3.0                 | 2.00                          | 6.0                    | 9.0                    |
| Count                    | 51                          | 51                     | 51                          | 51                     | 51                          | 51                     | 51                          | 51           | 51                       | 37               | 51                   | 51                  | 51                            | 51                     | 51                     |

| Outfall 001              | Flo                | ow .          | во                 | D5            | TS                 | ss              | Ammor              | nia as N       | r             | ьн            |
|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
|                          | Monthly<br>Average | Daily<br>Max. | Monthly<br>Average | Daily<br>Max. | Monthly<br>Average | Daily<br>Max.   | Monthly<br>Average | Daily Max.     | Daily<br>Min. | Daily<br>Max. |
| Date                     | Conc.              | Conc.         | Conc.              | Conc.         | Conc.              | Conc.           | Conc.              | Conc.          | Conc.         | Conc.         |
|                          | mg/L               | mg/L          | mg/L               | mg/L          | mg/L               | mg/L            | mg/L               | mg/L           | SU            | SU            |
| 08/31/2008               | 1.13               | 3.28          | 5                  | 7             | 2                  | 2               | 0.021              | 0.021          | 6.8           | 7.0           |
| 09/30/2008<br>10/31/2008 | 1.07<br>1.07       | 2.65<br>2.65  | 7<br>6             | 8<br>8        | 2<br><b>36</b>     | 2<br><b>117</b> | 0.017<br>0.018     | 0.018<br>0.019 | 7.2<br>7.0    | 7.4<br>7.2    |
| 11/30/2008               | 0.91               | 2.69          | 6                  | 7             | 1                  | 2               | 0.015              | 0.019          | 7.0           | 7.8           |
| 12/31/2008               | 0.91               | 2.87          | 7                  | 8             | 2                  | 3               | 0.013              | 0.017          | 7.0           | 7.2           |
| 01/31/2009               | 0.96               | 2.61          | 3                  | 6             | 2                  | 2               | 0.014              | 0.015          | 6.8           | 7.4           |
| 02/28/2009               | 0.92               | 3.38          | 6                  | 7             | 2                  | 3               | 0.013              | 0.015          | 6.6           | 7.0           |
| 03/31/2009               | 1.01               | 2.99          | 8                  | 8             | 1                  | 2               | 0.015              | 0.016          | 6.4           | 6.8           |
| 04/30/2009               | 1.07               | 2.77          | 7                  | 8             | 2                  | 2               | 0.014              | 0.015          | 7.0           | 7.2           |
| 05/31/2009               | 1.07               | 2.77          | 6                  | 7             | 2                  | 2               | 0.017              | 0.019          | 7.0           | 7.2           |
| 06/30/2009               | 1.10               | 3.03          | 6                  | 7             | 2                  | 5               | 0.014              | 0.015          | 6.8           | 7.2           |
| 07/31/2009               | 1.01               | 4.91          | 7                  | 9             | 1                  | 2               | 0.013              | 0.014          | 6.8           | 7.3           |
| 08/31/2009<br>09/30/2009 | 0.91<br>0.91       | 3.03<br>4.91  | 7<br>8             | 9<br>8        | 3<br>1             | 8<br>3          | 0.015<br>0.015     | 0.015<br>0.016 | 6.8<br>6.8    | 7.2<br>7.2    |
| 10/31/2009               | 0.91               | 0.39          | 7                  | 8             | 1                  | 1               | 0.015              | 0.016          | 6.4           | 7.2<br>6.6    |
| 11/30/2009               | 0.90               | 0.39          | 6                  | 7             | 1                  | 3               | 0.016              | 0.019          | J. 4          | 5.0           |
| 12/31/2009               | 1.14               | 1.79          | 6                  | 8             | 2                  | 2               | 0.018              | 0.019          | 6.6           | 7.2           |
| 01/31/2010               | 0.98               | 3.00          | 6                  | 7             | 1                  | 1               | 0.018              | 0.021          | 6.6           | 7.0           |
| 02/28/2010               | 1.28               | 2.13          | 7                  | 7             | 1                  | 1               | 0.016              | 0.016          | 6.6           | 7.0           |
| 03/31/2010               | 0.99               | 3.00          | 4                  | 6             | 2                  | 2               | 0.017              | 0.019          | 6.6           | 7.2           |
| 04/30/2010               | 1.07               | 3.11          | 4                  | 6             | 2                  | 2               | 0.017              | 0.018          | 6.8           | 7.6           |
| 05/31/2010               | 1.08               | 3.09          | 4                  | 5             | 2                  | 2               | 0.017              | 0.018          | 6.6           | 7.6           |
| 06/30/2010               | 1.19               | 3.80          | 5                  | 6             | 2                  | 3               | 0.019              | 0.019          | 6.8           | 7.6           |
| 07/31/2010               | 1.18               | 3.48          | 6                  | 8             | 1                  | 2               | 0.016              | 0.02           | 6.6           | 7.1           |
| 08/31/2010               | 1.19               | 4.91          | 6                  | 6<br>8        | 2<br>1             | 3<br>2          | 0.017              | 0.019          | 6.6           | 7.2<br>6.8    |
| 09/30/2010<br>10/31/2010 | 1.14<br>0.00       | 4.14<br>0.00  | 6<br>7             | 8<br>7        | 1                  | 2               | 0.018<br>0.016     | 0.02<br>0.017  | 6.6<br>6.6    | 7.0           |
| 11/30/2010               | 1.38               | 4.91          | 8                  | 9             |                    | 2               | 0.016              | 0.017          | 6.6           | 7.0           |
| 12/31/2010               | 0.45               | 2.32          | 6                  | 8             | 2                  | 3               | 0.018              | 0.019          | 7.0           | 7.2           |
| 01/31/2011               | 0.68               | 2.52          | 7                  | 8             | 1                  | 2               | 0.015              | 0.017          | 7.0           | 7.4           |
| 02/28/2011               | 0.82               | 2.63          | 9                  | 12            | 2                  | 3               | 0.016              | 0.02           | 6.8           | 7.6           |
| 03/31/2011               | 0.93               | 2.66          | 8                  | 11            | 2                  | 2               | 0.015              | 0.017          | 6.9           | 7.6           |
| 04/30/2011               | 1.29               | 4.13          | 8                  | 9             | 2                  | 3               | 0.048              | 0.049          | 6.6           | 7.0           |
| 05/31/2011               | 1.43               | 2.52          | 8                  | 9             | 2                  | 3               | 0.017              | 0.017          | 6.6           | 6.8           |
| 06/30/2011               | 1.14               | 3.16          | 4                  | 6             | 1                  | 1               | 0.016              | 0.017          | 6.2           | 6.7           |
| 07/31/2011               | 1.03               | 2.73          | 6                  | 9             | 1<br>1             | 1               | 0.449              | 0.57           | 6.1           | 6.7<br>7.2    |
| 08/31/2011<br>09/30/2011 | 1.22<br>1.12       | 1.74<br>3.36  | 5<br>4             | 8<br>6        | 3                  | 12              | 0.151<br>0.251     | 0.154<br>0.43  | 6.9<br>7.4    | 7.2<br>7.6    |
| 10/31/2011               | 1.12               | 3.23          | 7                  | 8             | 1                  | 1               | 0.231              | 0.486          | 6.2           | 7.0           |
| 11/30/2011               | 0.90               | 2.79          | 6                  | 7             | 2                  | 3               | 0.164              | 0.165          | 5.7           | 6.5           |
| 12/31/2011               | 0.77               | 2.44          | 7                  | 9             | 2                  | 2               | 0.115              | 0.127          | 5.9           | 7.9           |
| 01/31/2012               | 0.83               | 2.62          | 2                  | 4             | 2                  | 2               | 0.124              | 0.139          | 7.0           | 7.9           |
| 02/29/2012               | 0.83               | 2.62          | 6                  | 6             | 1                  | 1               | 0.168              | 0.189          | 7.2           | 8.3           |
| 03/31/2012               | 0.91               | 2.79          | 6                  | 6             | 1                  | 1               | 0.17               | 0.176          | 7.1           | 7.9           |
| 04/30/2012               | 0.98               | 2.76          | 7                  | 7             | 1                  | 1               | 0.188              | 0.194          | 7.1           | 7.5           |
| 05/31/2012               | 1.05               | 3.39          | 5                  | 5             | 1                  | 1               | 0.201              | 0.214          | 6.7           | 7.3           |
| 06/30/2012<br>07/31/2012 | 1.11<br>1.05       | 3.13<br>3.39  | 7<br>8             | 7<br>8        | 1<br>1             | 1<br>2          | 0.016              | 0.019<br>0.018 | 6.6<br>6.7    | 7.3<br>7.4    |
| 08/31/2012               | 1.05               | 3.39          | 8<br>9             | 9             | 2                  | 3               | 0.015<br>0.017     | 0.018          | 6.7<br>6.9    | 7.4<br>7.2    |
| 09/30/2012               | 0.96               | 2.61          | 10                 | 10            | 2                  | 2               | 0.017              | 0.019          | 6.8           | 7.3           |
| 10/31/2012               | 0.84               | 2.56          | 6                  | 6             | 1                  | 2               | 0.014              | 0.016          | 6.8           | 7.2           |
| Standard Dev.            | 0.22               | 0.98          | 1                  | 1             | 5                  | 16              | 0.102              | 0.122          | 0.3           | 0.4           |
| Minimum                  | 0.00               | 0.00          | 2                  | 4             | 1                  | 1               | 0.013              | 0.014          | 5.7           |               |
| Maximum                  | 1.43               | 4.91          | 10                 | 12            | 36                 | 117             | 0.470              | 0.570          |               | 8.3           |
| Average                  | 1.00               | 2.91          | 6                  | 7             | 2                  | 5               | 0.061              | 0.070          | 6.7           | 7.3           |
| Permit Limit             | Report             | Report<br>51  | 22<br>51           | 49<br>51      | 36<br>51           | 117<br>51       | 0.9/1.7<br>51      | 2/2<br>51      | 6.0<br>51     | 9.0<br>51     |
| Count                    | 51                 | 51            | 51                 | <b>5</b> 1    | 51                 | 51              | 51                 | 51             | 51            | 51            |

# **APPENDIX 4**

# **NEW PERMIT LIMITS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS**

# **PERMIT LIMITS**

#### Internal Monitoring Point (IMP) 006 - Treated sanitary wastewater

|                                   |            | EFFLUENT I | MONITORING  |            |              |               |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--|
|                                   | MON.       | THLY       | DA          | ILY        | REQUIREMENTS |               |  |
| EFFLUENT                          | AVG. CONC. | AVG. AMNT. | MAX. CONC.  | MAX. AMNT. | MSRMNT.      | SAMPLE        |  |
| CHARACTERISTIC                    | (m g/l)    | (lb/day)   | (m g/l)     | (lb/day)   | FRQNCY.      | TYPE          |  |
| FLOW                              | Report (   | (MGD) *    | Report (    | (MGD) *    | 2/Week       | Instantaneous |  |
| TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS (TSS)      | 30.0       |            | 45.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab          |  |
| E. Coli                           | 126/100 mL |            | 941/100 ml  |            | 2/Month      | Grab          |  |
| рН                                |            | Range      | 6.0 - 9.0   |            | 2/Week       | Grab ***      |  |
| CHLORINE, TOTAL<br>RESIDUAL (TRC) |            |            | 2.0         |            | 2/Week       | Grab ***      |  |
| DISSOLVED OXYGEN (D.O.)           |            |            | 3.0 minimum |            | 2/Week       | Grab ***      |  |
| NITROGEN, AMMONIA<br>TOTAL        | 5.0        |            | 10.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab          |  |
| SOLIDS, SETTLEABLE                |            |            | 0.5 mL/L    |            | 2/Week       | Grab          |  |
| BOD5                              | 20.0       |            | 30.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab          |  |

Flow shall be reported in Million Gallons per Day (MGD).

pH and TRC analyses shall be performed within fifteen (15) minutes of sample collection.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> The wastewater discharge must be disinfected to the extent that viable coliform organisms are effectively eliminated. The E. colimonitoring requirement for this permit shall require the permittee to report the geometric mean and maximum values.

\*\*\* pH and TRC analyses shall be performed within fifteen (15) minutes of complete allegations.

# **PERMIT LIMITS**

# OUTFALL 001 - Steam Condensate, non-contact cooling water, treated sanitary wastewater and storm water runoff

|                                     |            | EFFLUENT I | MONITORING |            |              |               |  |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--|
|                                     | MON.       | THLY       | DA         | ILY        | REQUIREMENTS |               |  |
| EFFLUENT                            | AVG. CONC. | AVG. AMNT. | MAX. CONC. | MAX. AMNT. | MSRMNT.      | SAMPLE        |  |
| CHARACTERISTIC                      | (mg/l)     | (lb/day)   | (mg/l)     | (lb/day)   | FRQNCY.      | ТҮРЕ          |  |
| FLOW                                | Report     | (MGD) *    | Report     | (MGD) *    | Continuous   | Instantaneous |  |
| pH**                                |            | Range (    | 6.0 - 9.0  |            | 2/Week       | Grab          |  |
| TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS (TSS)        | 30.0       | -          | 45.0       |            | 1/Week       | Grab          |  |
| NITROGEN, AMMONIA<br>TOTAL (Summer) | 0.9        |            | 2.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab ***      |  |
| NITROGEN, AMMONIA<br>TOTAL (Winter) | 1.7        |            | 2.0        |            | 2/Month      | Grab ***      |  |
| BOD5                                | 20.0       |            | 30.0       |            | 1/Month      | Grab          |  |

Flow shall be reported in Million Gallons per Day (MGD). pH and TRC analyses shall be performed within fifteen (15) minutes of sample collection.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Must be monitored at a point below the confluence of Discharges 001 and 006, but prior to entering the unnamed tributary. Note: Summer period is May 1 through September 30; Winter period is October 1 through April 30.